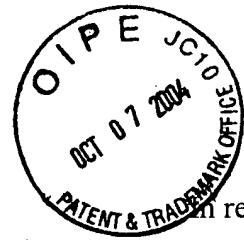


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In re Application of:)
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Application No.: 10/003,293) Group Art Unit: 3732
Filing Date: December 6, 2001) Examiner: M. N. BUMGARNER
For: DENTAL INSTRUMENT WITH A DEVICE TOOL)
AND A TRANSMISSION DEVICE WITH)
MAGNETIC CLUTCH ELEMENTS)

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Further to the Non-Compliant Office Action dated October 4, 2004, and in response to the Non-Final Office Action dated May 18, 2004, the period of response to which extends through August 18, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 5 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached at the end of this paper.